arrested by the Thane Police for Chlorine gas leakages in October, 1985;

(b) if so, what are the names of the involved; and

(c) the details of similar action taken in other recent cases of gas leakage?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF CHEMICALS AND PETROCHEMICALS (SHRI R.K. JAICHANDRA SINGH) : (a) to (c) According to information received from the Government of Maharashtra, in October, 1985 officials of the following three companies were arrested :—

1. M/s. Standard Alkali, Thane.
2. M/s. J.K. Chemicals, Thane.
3. M/s. Pesticides and Breweries Ltd.

On 6th November, 1985, four persons of M/s. Century Chemicals were also arrested.

Manufacture of Pheniramine Maleate

180. SHRI SYED RAHMAT ALI : Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to refer to the answer to the Starred Question 366 given in Rajya Sabha on 19th August, 1985 and state :

(a) what is the capacity mentioned on the Industrial Licence granted to Hoechst for the manufacture of Pheniramine Maleate along with Licence Number, date and important conditions mentioned;

(b) names of the bulk drugs for which Hoechst has been licensed along with permitted capacity of each drug;

(c) what was the production of each drug during the last three years, year-wise;

(d) what is the stage of manufacture permitted and from which stage each is being produced:

(e) how many multipurpose plants have been installed by this company for the production of bulk drug along with year of installation and capacity of each;

(f) whether approval was obtained from Government for installation of these plants;

(g) if so, approval number and date; and

(h) what is the total permitted capacity sanctioned to this company for bulk drugs and formulations and what was the actual production of each bulk durg during the last three years, yearwise ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF CHEMICALS AND PETROCHEMICALS (SHRI R.K. JAICHANDRA SINGH) : (a) M/s. Hoechst India are holding an Industrial Licence No. L/22/274/65-Ch. III dated 9th June, 1965 for the manufacture of 2500 Kgs./annum of Pheniramine Maleate. Subsequently, this capacity was re-endorsed to 4,000 Kgs. per annum. However, Industrial Approval has no specific condition.

(b) to (d) The production details of bulk drugs which are manufactured by Hoechst and where production is monitored alongwith the stage of manufacture permitted/ actual are given in the statement.

(e) To the extent details are available, M/s. Hoechst have six multipurpose plants for the manufacture of bulk drugs. Government does not fix capacities for individual multipurpose plants.

(f) and (g) Do not arise.

(h) To the extent details are available, the total permissible productive capacity for bulk drugs is 283.64 tonnes per annum while the actual production of bulk drugs during 1983 was 285.45 tonnes.

Statement

Name of the Bulk Drug	Licensed Capacity	Stage of Manufacture		Production		
		Permitted	Actual	1982-83	1983-84	1984-85
	(Tonnes)					
1. Pheniramine Maleate	4·00	Intermediate	Basic	12·66	11·82	18·60
2. Tolbutamide .	72·000	Intermediate	Basic	33·58	21·58	18·01
3. Procaine . .	100·000	Basic	Basic	24·64	55·33	25·79
4. Baralgan Ketone .	2,489	Basic	Basic	2·89	3·91	2·41
5. Frusemide . .	7·148	Intermediate	Basic	4·19	8·92	6·73
6. Glybenclamide .	0·900	Basic	Basic	0·60	1·05	0·97

On-the-Spot Verification of Plant and Machinery of Hoechst

181. SHRI SYED RAHMAT ALI : Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that a technical team was sent for on-the-spot verification of unauthorised installation of plant and machinery of Hoechst ;

(b) if so, when was the team sent and which were the locations of plants vistied by the team ;

(c) what were the records inspected and what were the findings of the team and whether any action has been taken on the findings and if so, what are the details thereof ;

(d) whether it is a fact that the company has installed plant and machinery unauthorisedly for the production of bulk drugs and formulations and have produced unauthorisedly in excess quantity of those items where the company is overcharging; and

(e) if so, what are the details of over production and over charging in each case ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF CHEMICALS AND PETROCHEMICALS (SHRI R.K. JAICHANDRA SINGH) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) In September, 1984 the Technical Team visited the plant of M/s. Hoechst at Mulund, Bombay.

(c) to (e) No final views has yet been taken on the report submitted by the Technical Team.

Manufacture of Prednisolone

182. SHRI NAND KISHORE BHATT: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state :

(a) whether Prednisolone is being manufactured in the country ;

(d) if so, names of the manufacturers, licensed and installed capacity of each unit and what was the production of each unit during the last three years, year-wise ;

(c) names of ten major units selling formulations based on this drug along with the price of each and the name of each formulator ;